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BUENOS AIRES 3910

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SUBJECT: SWEDISH AMBASSADOR GETS OSTENSIBLE TRIPLE A KIDNAP THREAT

1. ACCORDING TO AN OFFICER OF THE SWEDISH EMBASSY, THE SWEDISH AMBASSADOR HAS RECEIVED A KIDNAP THREAT.

2. A MAN IDENTIFYING HIMSELF AS A MEMBER OF THE TRIPLE A CALLED THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE AT 4 A.M. JUNE 6 AND ASKED FOR THE AMBASSADOR'S WIFE. WHEN THE AMBASSADOR REPLIED THAT HIS WIFE WAS IN STOCKHOLM, CALLER SAID HE WAS AWARE OF THAT AND WAS SIMPLY CHECKING. HE THEN SAID THE TRIPLE IS PLANNING TO KIDNAP THE AMBASSADOR HIMSELF.

3. SWEDISH EMBASSY HAS REPORTED THE THREAT TO THE FOREIGN MINISTRY AND TO ARGENTINE POLICE.

4. ACCORDING TO THE SAME SWEDISH EMBASSY OFFICER, THE SWEDISH AMBASSADOR HAS RECENTLY MADE SEVERAL OFFICIAL INQUIRIES, SO FAR UNANSWERED, INTO THE WHEREABOUTS OF TWO SWEDISH CITIZENS REPORTEDLY MISSING FROM THEIR ARGENTINE RESIDENCES.

5. IN 1975 ARGENTINE AUTHORITIES KILLED A SWEDISH NATIONAL WHOM THEY DESCRIBED AS A LEADER OF A TERRORIST GROUP IN A RAID IN TUCUMAN. ACCORDING TO THE SWEDISH EMBASSY HERE, WHEN NEWS OF THE DEATH WAS MADE PUBLIC, THE SWEDE BECAME
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A "QUASI-HERO" OF THE YOUNG SWEDISH LEFT BACK HOME.

6. FYI. THE SWEDISH SOURCE ASKED THE EMBASSY RSO FOR HIS
ADVICE ON THE KIDNAPPING THREAT. RSO REMINDED HIM THAT
MANY HIGH-LEVEL KIDNAPPINGS HAVE BEEN PRECEDED BY THREATS AND
WARNINGS, AND ADVISED HE TAKE THE THREAT MOST SERIOUSLY.
ON OTHER HAND, EMBASSY HAS NO WAY OF EVALUATING WHETHER PHONE
CALL REPRESENTED SERIOUS THREAT OR HOAX.
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